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Mr. Wallace Reid US Environmental Protection Agency, Region X 1200 Sixth Avenue Seattle, WA 98101

Re:

Initiation of Work Described in the Consent Decree

Simplot Operable Unit - Eastern Michaud Flats Superfund Site

Dear Mr. Reid:

The Remedial Design/Remedial Action Consent Decree for the Simplot Operable Unit was lodged on October 25, 2001. This letter fulfills the notification requirements (paragraphs 10 and 41) of the Consent Decree triggered by the lodging.

I will be Simplot's designated Project Coordinator and can be reached at the address and telephone number shown on this letter. Mr. Ward Wolleson will be the Alternate Project Coordinator and can be reached at 208.672.2865. Our proposed Supervising Contractor is MFG, Inc., who have been our technical consultants since the Feasibility Study phase of the project. Their proposed project manager is Mr. Andrew Koulermos, who has been involved with the project since 1994. MFG's Statement of Qualifications is attached.

Also, consistent with discussions on previous Consent Decrees, we would like to request that the requirements to submit monthly progress reports during the period from the Consent Decree lodging to entry be waived. As you know, remedial design work will begin once the Consent Decree is entered and we feel that submitting monthly progress reports to you before this time will provide no significant information.

We look forward to working with you on the upcoming design/remedial action phase of the project. Please feel free to call me at 208.389.7365 if you have questions or comments.

Sincerely,

ALAN L. PROUTY

Director, Environmental & Regulatory Affairs

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Attachment

c: B. Marten - Marten Brown, Inc.

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